



# Saint Louis County

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## **SUMMARY**

**SUMMARY OF OCTOBER 18, 2011 BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEETING,  
9:00 AM – 11:30 AM, NORTHLAND OFFICE CENTER, VIRGINIA, MINNESOTA.**

**BOA MEMBERS PRESENT:** Coombe, Johnson, Peterson, Pollock, Werschay - 5

**BOA MEMBERS ABSENT:** Filipovich - 1

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 13, 2011 MEETING:**

**In favor:** Coombe, Johnson, Peterson, Pollock, Werschay - 5

**Opposed:** None – 0

**COMMUNICATIONS:** None.

**INTERPRETATIONS:** None.

## **NEW CASES:**

Case 5846 – Diane and John Bonneville (S29, T52N, R17W, New Independence)

Approved a variance with staff's recommendations to allow a principal structure to be constructed at a 90 foot setback from Schelin Lake with the following conditions:

1. The structure shall be unobtrusive (earth-tone) colors, including siding, trim and roof.
2. Maintain vegetative screening between the structure and bay.

## **Motion by Peterson/Coombe**

**In Favor:** Coombe, Johnson, Peterson, Pollock, Werschay – 5

**Opposed:** None – 0

**Motion carried 5-0**

Case 5847 – Stacy Houge (S25, T58N, R19W, Great Scott)

Approved a variance with staff's recommendations to allow a principal structure to be constructed at a 100 foot setback from Doherty Lake with the following conditions:

1. The structure shall be unobtrusive (earth-tone) colors, including siding, trim and roof.
2. Maintain vegetative screening between the structure and bay.
3. All demolition material and other waste shall be disposed of in a manner acceptable to St. Louis County Solid Waste Ordinance 45.
4. Future septic expansion area shall be reserved and protected.

## **Motion by Coombe/Peterson**

**In Favor:** Coombe, Johnson, Peterson, Pollock, Werschay – 5

**Opposed:** None – 0

**Motion carried 5-0**

Case 5848 – Jeff Maida (S18, T54N, R12W, Pequaywan)

Approved a variance with staff's recommendations to allow a new principal structure to be constructed at a 50 foot shoreline setback, 4 foot platted right-of-way setback, 23 foot platted road centerline setback and construction on a lot 0.24 acre in size with the following conditions:

1. The structure shall be unobtrusive (earth-tone) colors, including siding, trim and roof.
2. Existing vegetative screening shall be retained to the greatest extent possible.
3. A plan to enhance vegetation and protect the shore impact zone shall be submitted and approved by the county.
4. All demolition material and other waste shall be disposed of in a manner acceptable to St. Louis County Solid Waste Ordinance 45.
5. Water control measures shall be implemented to direct water away from impervious surfaces.
6. The applicant shall properly abandon the existing privy and greywater system.

**Motion by Werschay/Johnson**

**In Favor:** Johnson, Pollock, Werschay – 3

**Opposed:** Coombe, Peterson – 2

**Motion carried 3-2**

Case 5849 – J. Patrick Wolfe (S32, T63N, R13W, Morse)

Approved a variance to allow a principal dwelling addition at 47 percent because existing ledge rock, the location of the well and the existing driveway limits the location of the proposed addition, and existing natural screening from the lake is good, with the following conditions:

1. The existing 24 foot by 28 foot attached garage shall be removed and disposed of in a manner that is in compliance with St Louis County Solid Waste Ordinance 45.
2. The combined additions shall not exceed 934 square feet as shown on the application.
3. The structure shall be unobtrusive (earth-tone) colors, including siding, trim and roof.
4. The applicant shall provide evidence of the precise location of the subject property boundaries.
5. Required mitigation points shall be implemented.

**Motion by Peterson/Pollock**

**In Favor:** Coombe, Johnson, Peterson, Pollock, Werschay – 5

**Opposed:** None – 0

**Motion carried 5-0**

Case 5850 – Patrick Ryan (S19, T62N, R15W, Breitung)

Approved a variance with staff's recommendations to allow a garage to be constructed at an 18 foot right-of-way setback and a 47 foot centerline setback with the following conditions:

1. Required mitigation points shall be implemented.
2. The structure shall be unobtrusive (earth-tone) colors, including siding, trim and roof.

**Motion by Peterson/Pollock**

**In Favor:** Coombe, Johnson, Peterson, Pollock, Werschay – 5

**Opposed:** None – 0

**Motion carried 5-0**

Case 5851 – Bryan Rusco (S22, T63N, R12W, Morse)

Denied a variance with staff's recommendations to construct a new dwelling located 40 feet from the ordinary high water level (OHWL) of Shagawa Lake based on staff's recommendation and conclusions, because the applicant stated they can build at the required 75 foot setback and the Town of Morse suggested the applicants build at the required 75 foot setback.

**Motion by Coombe/Peterson**

**In Favor:** Coombe, Johnson, Peterson, Pollock, Werschay – 5

**Opposed:** None – 0

**Motion carried 5-0**